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MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

SUBJECT: International Security Briefing Conference

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1. Don Miller [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] informed me by telephone today that he has been asked to help organize and be on the program of an International Security Briefing Conference to be held in Washington during June. Joint sponsors for this would be the International Confederation for Defense of the Continent and the Conference of American Small Business Organizations. Miller is a public relations consultant with Lerch & Co. here in Washington. He was asked to participate in this event by Ira Latimer, who Don says is the Latimer who testified in several hearings on the Hill as an ex-communist, was once an ordained minister, and is now a public relations consultant himself.

2. The program for the Briefing Conference is to be established before March 15. On the program it is planned to include Senator Dodd, Congressman Walter, Professor Possny of Georgetown University, Senator Douglas and Miller, himself, who will speak on Communist propaganda. A few of the topics will be the Freedom Academy, the Captive Nations, Cuba, and Communist propaganda in the United States.

3. Purpose of the Briefing Conference is to outline "action programs" for the two sponsoring organizations vis-a-vis international Communism and also for other organizations which might be asked to participate at a later date.

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